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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Osrovsky
Serial No. : 10/781,973
Filed : February 18, 2004
For : METHOD OF ANODIZING METALLIC SURFACES AND
COMPOSITIONS THEREOF
Art Unit : 1742
Examiner : W. T. Leader

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed December 11, 2006, applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group II, claims 32-42, with traverse.

Applicants also elect as a species an alcohol having at least one alkaline radical group, with traverse. Claims 32-42 are believed to read on the elected species.

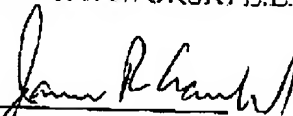
The Examiner alleges that the composition of Group I could be used in processes other than the processes of Group II and Group III claims, such as an immersion treatment process without the application of electric current. Basically, this only means that you can dip a substrate into the bath, but the Examiner has not provided any reason why one would do so, especially as applied to the claims of Group II.

Furthermore, it does not seem that it would be unduly burdensome to search both species, and the claims cover a mixture of alcohol and silane.

Any necessary fees may be charged to deposit account no. 50-0624.

Respectfully submitted

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